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Britain Takes
The Initiative

A Conservative MP has expressed the opinion that "there could scarcely have been any time in the last 30 years when the influence of the British government was more supreme in the councils of the world than it is now." The claim might be a trifle exaggerated, yet it would be fair to say that ever since the Geneva conference which brought a settlement of the Indo-China war, Britain has retained the initiative in international diplomacy, aiming all the time at bringing about a reduction in tensions which threaten the peace and security of the world.

Her position among the other Western powers has been, and continues to be, strong, very largely because she has a more clearly defined foreign affairs policy. The British government, both the present one and its predecessor, has held firmly to the conviction that the international problems which have arisen since the war cannot be settled by any "parcel" agreement, that each dispute must be treated on its merits, and a solution negotiated, and that each new settlement makes its contribution to the general lessening of tension.

It is on this basis that the British government has taken the initiative in laying preparations for a Big Four top-level meeting which may well come about if the Austrian state treaty is successfully concluded. Parallel with this important diplomatic move is the decision to try to obtain from Mr Chou En-lai a clarification of his intriguing Bandung offer to negotiate a Formosa Straits ceasefire.

In the dual role of mediator and pacifier, Britain is unchallengeably the predominant nation today. Sir Anthony Eden's achievements at Geneva impressed the Communist countries equally as much as they did the democracies. He showed himself to be a past-master in the fine art of diplomatic compromise which preserves principles while allowing for reasonable and practical concessions.

It is distinctly possible, even probable, that developments in the current cautious moves by Peking and Washington to reach an understanding on a Formosa ceasefire, will depend on the outcome of Mr H'm ph re y Trevelyan's hoped-for discussions with Mr Chou En-lai. The assignment which has been given the British Charge d'Affaires is a delicate one, but he has to support him the credentials of a government whose sincerity and honesty in dealing with international disputes has long been established. A favourable reaction from the Chinese Prime Minister to Mr Trevelyan's request can open the door wide to practical negotiations leading to a general easing of the entire Far East situation.

Dr Salk's Great Discovery

In tomorrow's big week-end edition of the China Mail, Don Iddon, our roving correspondent in America, gives you the story behind Dr Salk's sensational discovery of his anti-polio vaccine.

Read how this amazing research scientist used his wife and children as the "guinea pigs" to test his theories. This is just one of the highlights of tomorrow's 20-page feature-packed paper. Here are some others:

- ★ For women, we begin a new series on how "white-collar" girls in different parts of the world dress themselves on a £12 (\$192) budget.
- ★ Rene MacColl takes a last look at a Serpentine Sliver, Theda Bara, the screen's first and greatest Vamp, who died this month.
- ★ The tragic career of the Hoodoo ship—a World's "Strangest Story".

In addition, there are three pages of home and local pictures, a Law cartoon, a Saturday short story, film reviews by Jane Roberts, another "Did It Happen?" story, Beschoomer's column and local and overseas sports reviews—all in the China Mail.

Latest Developments In South Vietnam Crisis

BAO DAI SUMMONS DIEM
TO CANNES



NGO DINH DIEM

Gives Control Of
Armed Forces To
Gen Van Vy

Cannes, Apr. 28.

Ex-Emperor Bao Dai acted tonight to head off civil war from his strife-torn state of South Vietnam after a day of bitter fighting there between government forces and private armies headed by rebellious warlords.

As Head of State he cabled orders from his Riviera villa removing military authority from the American-backed Premier Ngo Dinh Diem and summoning him to Cannes immediately.

Premier Diem had thrown the Vietnam national army into action earlier today against the politico-religious sects who have denounced him as an autocrat and want his removal.

Bao Dai gave the control of the armed forces to General Nguyen Van Vy, Inspector-General of Vietnam armed forces, who 48 hours ago left Saigon for Dalat to avoid arrest by Diem.

A spokesman for Bao Dai said he would then call a conference in Cannes of leading Vietnam politicians, ex-premiers, army commanders, representatives of the rebellious sects, workers and peasants and other groups. It would meet on May 5 at the latest.

General Van Vy, a fortnight ago warned "Bao Dai" of the danger of civil war and urged prompt action.

In a message to Diem, Bao Dai said he had decided on wide consultations with the chief representatives of "our spiritual families" to seek an overall solution of the present crisis. The message said: "New and grave disorders which I had warned you to take measures to prevent continue to maintain an atmosphere of exasperation which is not calculated to bring about the indispensable national reconciliation."

Bao Dai said there could be no doubt of Diem's patriotism and courage. But government achievements, however remarkable, did not prevent the possibility of a clash with those who represented the majority of public opinion.

THE RIFT

"We must doubtless attribute your lack of success not only in strengthening the cohesion of your government, but even in maintaining that cohesion, to the rift which is now clear between public opinion and certain behaviour by your government."

Bao Dai said he could not take any arbitrary decision to settle conflicts between groups all of whom claimed to have the national interests at heart.

An overall solution was the more necessary since there was no longer the slightest doubt that "the agents of an inhuman and destructive totalitarianism" were working in Central and South Vietnam.

Bao Dai said: "I have, therefore, decided to carry out wide consultations of the chief representatives of our spiritual, political and religious families. At the same time, I shall consult representatives of our workers, tried peasants, of our workers whose living conditions have always been first among my cares, and finally of those charged with the armed defence of our soil."

"These consultations will be held in France so that views may be exchanged far from the scene of too violent passions."

"AT MY SIDE"

"In your capacity as Prime Minister and in consideration of your merits, I ask you to take part in the proposed consultations at my side."

"I count firmly on your patriotism and the selflessness, of which you have given so many proofs, to help me to find in agreement with all our country's men of goodwill the formula which will save the country."

"I leave it to you to designate the person who will, during your absence, exercise your civil powers."

"In my capacity as supreme commander of the national army, I will delegate my military powers to General Nguyen Van Vy."

Fresh
Fighting
In Saigon

Paris, Apr. 29.
Severe fighting broke out again this morning in Saigon, according to press reports reaching here.

Many dead and wounded were reported. —Reuter.

More Soviet
Concessions
To Austria

Vienna, Apr. 28.

The Soviet Union in a note to Austria today announced that she would ease the burden of occupation in anticipation of the signing of the state treaty, an Austrian government spokesman said.

The note said Russia was easing the occupation burden immediately "to further the development of friendly relations between the two countries."

It was handed by Soviet High Commissioner Ivan I. Ilychev to Herr Julius Raab, the Austrian Foreign Minister.

The note announced that Soviet authorities in Austria would:

1. Hand over to the Austrian authorities as from April 28 the right to permit French and West German shipping on the Austrian reaches of the Danube.
2. Place no hindrance in the way of entry without visas into Eastern (Soviet occupied) Austria by citizens of states with which Austria has concluded agreements for the abolition of entry and exit visas, and
3. Cease to examine consignments of goods at the demarcation line dividing the Soviet zone from Western Austria.—Reuter.

Diana Leaves
Hospital

Boston, Apr. 28.

Actress Diana Barrymore was released today from hospital where she had been treated for an overdose of sleeping pills which she said she swallowed to "calm my nerves."

The husky-voiced daughter of the late John Barrymore walked out of the hospital with her husband, Robert Wilcox, and rejoined the cast of the comedy "Pyjama Tops" in which she co-stars with Wilcox.

"I have been suffering from a head cold for six months and I did take too many phenobarbital for no reason at all except that I'm exhausted," said Miss Barrymore. "I'm supposed to take three a day."

"It's not just being on tour," she added. "I'll be exactly six months we've been on the road when we close in a week and a half in Newhaven. I only tried to calm my nerves."

Miss Barrymore collapsed in her hotel room last night after telling Wilcox she had taken "quite a few" sleeping pills.—United Press.

Sydney Students
Cause Riot

Sydney, Apr. 28.

Students clashed with police outside Sydney University today following a protest demonstration over student demands for a traffic light on a main cross street near the University grounds.

The demonstrating students blocked traffic and halted a tram before riot squads were called in to restore order. Eighteen of the student demonstrators were arrested. No injuries were reported.—United Press.

Indirect
Diplomacy
May Win
Ceasefire

Washington, Apr. 28.

Urgent behind-the-scenes diplomatic talks may produce an informal ceasefire in the Formosa Straits without a big international conference, diplomatic officials said today.

There was strong evidence, in fact, that the United States would prefer the indirect diplomatic approach through third nations—at least during initial moves towards Far Eastern settlement.

Officials expressed hope that these initial moves would develop pledges by the Chinese Reds and Chinese Nationalists that they would stop warring against each other. Diplomats believed that such pledges could be worked out in the form of separate declarations.

Long and hard diplomatic bargaining touching many world capitals was sure to be required during efforts to arrange a ceasefire. But once this is achieved—even informally—officials said it seemed likely that a conference would be held to take up remaining Chinese problems and other Far Eastern questions.

FIRM PLEDGE

The United States would prefer that such a meeting be held under United Nations auspices. But officials stood firm on previous pledges to talk directly with the Chinese Reds, if necessary.

An almost unprecedented round of diplomatic activity broke out on Tuesday after the Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, said that the United States was ready to look into Red China's offer to talk over Far Eastern problems.

Peace hopes hit a higher key when President Eisenhower told a news conference yesterday that the United States would be glad to meet with the Reds to talk over a ceasefire, release of Americans held by the Chinese Reds and other problems. The only condition he raised was that such talks would not touch on the interests of Nationalist China.

Britain, Pakistan and Australia are known to have been in contact with the State Department to assess peace prospects. British contacts already have ranged to Peking in an effort to find out whether ceasefire possibilities exist.

GUARANTEE SYSTEM

Australia has been proposing a guarantee system under which the United States would be joined by other major powers in defending Formosa. If it were attacked, if such guarantee brought about in connection with a ceasefire, there have been indications the United States would press Nationalist China to give up the off-shore Quemoy and Matsu islands.

Admiral Arthur Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was due back this weekend to report to Mr. Eisenhower on his trip to Formosa. There is every indication that Radford and the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Walter Robertson, have been trying to overcome Nationalist objections to a ceasefire.

Mr. Eisenhower is clearly optimistic over peace prospects, particularly on the basis of Soviet moves for an Austrian treaty and Red China's offer to negotiate in the Far East.—United Press.

No Progress In
Rail Talks

London, Apr. 28.

Six hours' talks between union, leaders and rail chiefs here today failed to avert the threatened rail strike, which would halt the bulk of the nation's trains next Sunday.

Sir Brian Robertson, Chairman of the British Transport Commission, which runs the nationalised railways, said tonight no settlement had been reached in the talks with the leaders of the 70,000 rail workers who seek a wage increase.—Reuter.

Eden Opposes
Proposal To Reduce
HK Garrison

LABOUR MP'S ARGUMENT

London, Apr. 28.

The British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, opposed a suggestion in the House of Commons today that the number of British servicemen in Hongkong be reduced.

Sir Anthony also said he could not accept the Opposition motion asking for a select committee of the House to be formed to examine the national service set up to see whether the two-year compulsory period of service with the forces should remain.

Sir Anthony said the Korean war was over, but the Far Eastern situation could not be said to be so stable and settled that Britain could reduce its garrison at Hongkong.

"I would have thought it would be the greatest possible mistake to do so at the moment," Sir Anthony Eden said.

"It would be completely misread if Britain were to make such a reduction. It would be the greatest mistake if at this psychological moment in discussions with the Soviet Government, we were to introduce a reduction in the period of our national service."

If a cut were announced now it would weaken Britain's hand in the negotiations she was about to enter, he added.

Sir Anthony Eden said he had always believed it right that there should be some form of strategic reserve in Britain. There was not one complete division in the country as a strategic reserve but he hoped by the end of the year there would be one.

HIS LAST WORD

"Whatever it may cost electorally or otherwise, nothing would induce me to make any other commitment beyond what I have said," he added.

A suggestion for a reduction of British forces in Hongkong by 10,000 men was made by Mr. Woodrow Wyatt, Labour, who argued that if the Chinese Communists decided to take Hongkong, they could do so even with the present force there, but if they were not, then the force was unnecessary.

In Singapore, Mr. Wyatt said, there was a new government. Elections were to be held in Malaya. With this substantial advance towards self government, it might well be that some of the emergency regulations could be rescinded. There "could perhaps be a saving of 8,000 men in these theatres."

The Prime Minister, who said it would not be possible to cut the number of servicemen in Malaya or Kenya, declared that any reductions would depend on

international developments in the next few months. The House later carried the government amendment expressing gratitude for the services rendered by national servicemen in maintaining the safety and wellbeing of Britain in the present world situation.

The amendment also approved the government's declared intention to lighten the existing burden of national service as soon as circumstances permit.—Reuter.

Rains Make
Villagers
Homeless

Oran, Apr. 28.

Nearly 1,000 Arab villagers have been made homeless by torrential rains in Northern Algeria, notably in the Jebel Amour Atlas Mountain area.

The rains, which had been falling steadily since last Sunday, were worse today.

Muddy torrents devastated the village of Ceryville. In the Tendrara and Bou-Arfa areas, tracks have been cut by four inches of rain, an exceptional recording.

Many houses have collapsed, and the Red Cross, the army and the authorities are organising emergency aid. The damage could not immediately be estimated but the havoc was described as very serious.

The weathermen forecast a brief respite, but if the storms continue, the situation may become catastrophic, because the mud huts cannot stand much stress.—France-Press.

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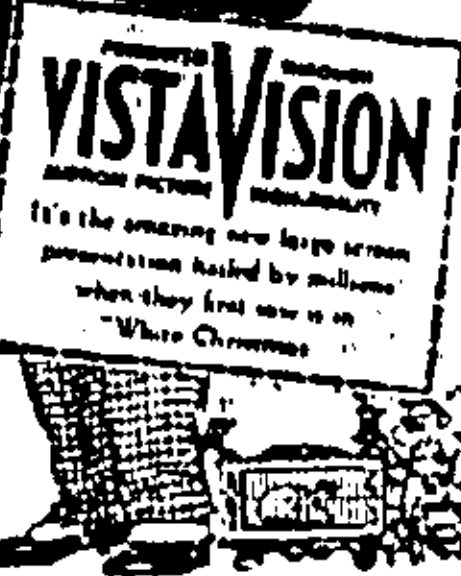
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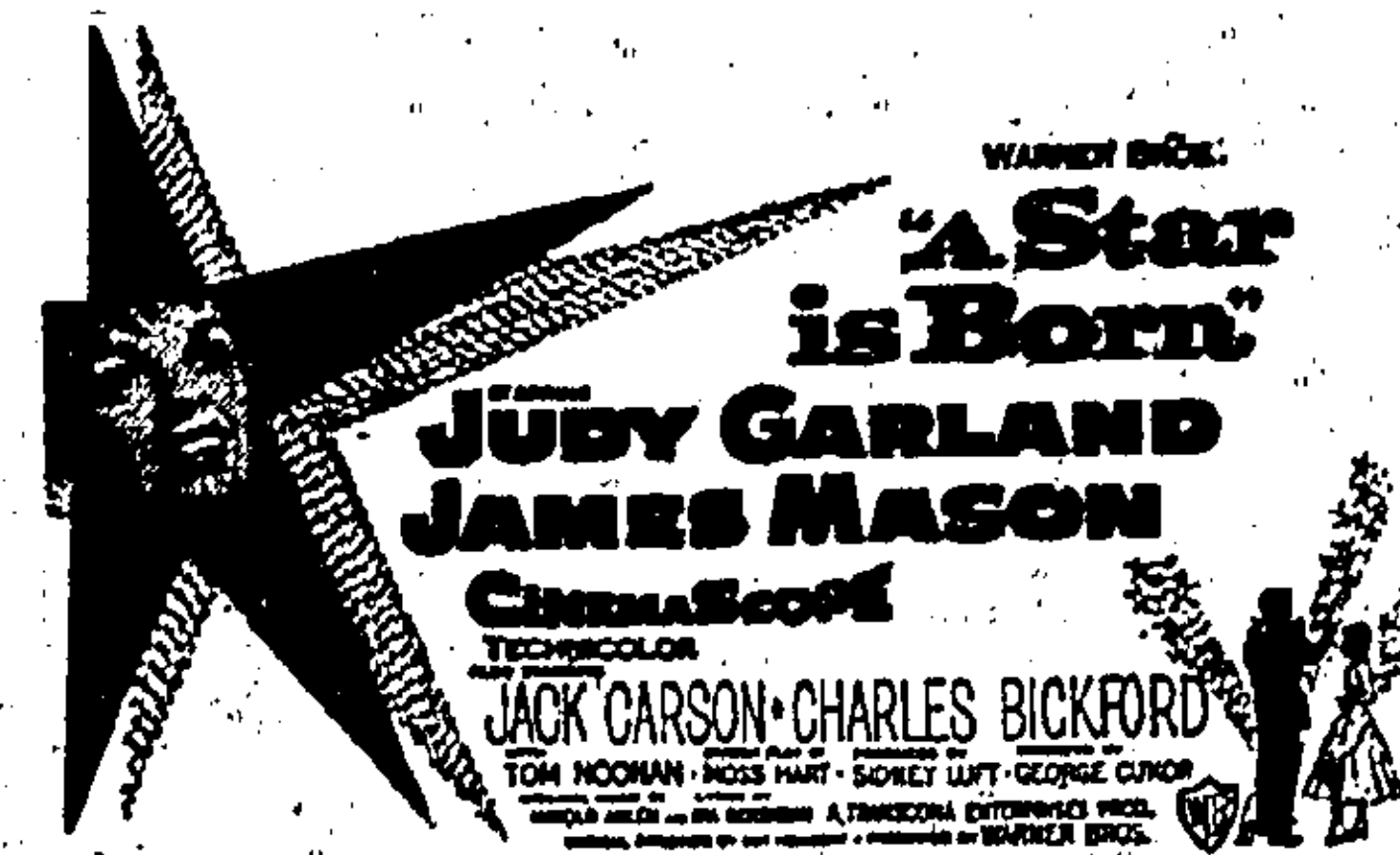
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— NEXT CHANGE —

"CATTLE QUEEN OF MONTANA"

Italian Voting Fails

Inventors Show
Opens In ParisBUT PROMINENT
LEFT-WINGER
GAINS STEADILY

Rome, Apr. 28.

The Italian Parliament failed to elect a new President of the Republic today after three inconclusive ballots, but a prominent Left-Wing Christian Democrat appeared to be gaining steadily.

No candidate received the necessary two-thirds majority — 552 of the possible 843 votes — to replace 79-year-old Luigi Einaudi, the outgoing President.

In the third ballot blank votes totalled 195 and were believed to be all Communist.

FOURTH ROUND

A fourth round of voting takes place tomorrow and more may be necessary if no candidate is elected.

Premier Mario Scelba's Christian Democrats are leading the Senate. President, Cesare Merzagora, an Independent who received 245 votes in the latest ballot.

In the first ballot, Signor Ferruccio Parri, wartime partisan leader and former left-centre Premier, won 392 out of a total of 815 votes cast. The total possible vote is 843. A two-thirds majority (562 votes) is needed for election.

Signor Parri stood down from the second ballot, official results of which were: Senator Cesare Merzagora, Christian Democrat, 225 votes; Signor Giovanni Gronchi, Christian Democratic President of the Chamber of Deputies, 127; President Einaudi, 80; others 42, invalid two and blank votes 332.

Though Signor Einaudi, a Liberal economist and Italy's first postwar President, got only 80 votes, his chances of re-election were rated high in view of a split in the Christian Democratic Party, Italy's main bulwark against the biggest Communist party in Europe. In the first ballot he had received 120 votes.

In the first ballot at least 130 of the 375 Christian Democratic members of Parliament defied a formal party decision to vote for Senator Merzagora, 56-year-old banker and industrialist.

Signor Parri had the monolithic support of the Com-

munist and allied Socialists. Senator Merzagora gained only 228 votes.

President Einaudi received 120 including an estimated 80 votes from "rebel" Christian Democrats, while Signor Gronchi collected another 30 votes from "rebel" party colleagues.

In withdrawing his candidature, Signor Parri said "I think it is my duty to facilitate the concentration of votes and therefore the choice of President of the Republic."

BLANK VOTES

Communists and left-wing Socialists accordingly cast blank votes in the second poll, waiting to see how things would develop.

Christian Democrat leaders continued to urge their followers to vote for Senator Merzagora, who is President of the Senate, although privately admitting that they may switch in later ballots.

The split in their party was taken to indicate widespread dissatisfaction both with the present coalition Government, headed by Premier Mario Scelba, and with the leader of the party, Professor Amintore Fanfani, an authoritarian Catholic who advocates large-scale social reforms. But it was not yet clear whether the "rebel" movement was intent on breaking up the coalition of four centre parties which has ruled Italy for the past seven years.

Main problem tonight for the Democratic parties was to prevent the new President being elected on Communist and other left-wing votes.

If the Christian Democrat leaders succeed in concentrating all their followers' votes on one candidate, they will still need at least 50 votes from other parties to secure his election.

The main danger, they saw it was that the Communists and their allies might suddenly put their full weight behind a candidate supported by a Christian Democrat "rebel" group.

LEFT-WING SUPPORT

This might result in the election of a President who would owe his office mainly to the left-wing vote.

The electors comprise 243 Senators and 500 Deputies, plus delegates from the semi-autonomous regions of Sicily and Sardinia, the Aosta Valley and Alto Adige (the former South Tyrol). Signor Einaudi's present term expires on May 11.—United Press & Reuter.

TERRORISM IN
NORTH AFRICA
GENERAL TO
DIRECT
OPERATIONS

Paris, Apr. 28.

Combat General G. Parlange was appointed Director of Operations against the outlawed "Army of God" in Algeria in a move to tighten the grip on terrorism in North Africa.

The French Government decided to follow the example of the British, who had appointed a combat general—Sir George Erskine—to direct the campaign against the Mau Mau terrorists in Kenya.

General Parlange, 58, has a long fighting record which began when he was 18 years old in World War I. He was wounded three times and decorated for gallantry. Later he served in Morocco and became an expert in handling North African troops.

He led a Moroccan regiment in Italy in World War II and again was wounded and decorated. He is currently officer in command of the Moroccan military subdivision.—United Press.

New Delhi, Apr. 28.

Dr Rajendra Prasad, President of India, today gave his assent to a bill which empowers the Government to acquire property and fix compensation without challenge by the courts.—Reuter.

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Another bare torso
at film festival

Cannes, Apr. 28.

A French starlet Danielle Lamar today created a minor incident at the Cannes International Film Festival picnic, attended by dozens of stars from all over the world.

Miss Lamar, a statuesque blonde, who has appeared as a singer and dancer in America, Britain, and France, whipped off her blue jersey and posed bare to the waist, while talking to one of France's most popular actors, American-born Eddle Constantine.

It occurred almost at the same place where a similar incident took place last year, involving British actress Simone Silva and Hollywood actor Robert Mitchum.



This rubber tub equipped with a "drench pipe" for washing baby's head is one of the novel inventions seen at the annual Inventors Show now being held at the Palais des Sports in Paris.—Express Photo.

Colonial Development

TURNING POINT FOR
CORPORATION

London, Apr. 28.

Mr H. N. Hume, Deputy Chairman of the Government-sponsored Colonial Development Corporation — which lost huge sums in its early days on schemes for helping backward territories — said here today that it had reached a turning point in its affairs.

The present period was one of positive construction, he added. Resources were being redeployed and new money was being spent in "new enterprises over the whole geographical field."

He was commenting on the Corporation's annual report out today and said it struck a more forward looking note than had been possible during the last few years of retrenchment.

Various projects in the past had been undertaken far too light-heartedly and irresponsibly, he declared.

BORROW £180 MILLION The Corporation started in 1948 and was authorised to borrow up to £180 million.

Today's report shows considerably improved financial results on previous years. There was still a net operating loss for

1954 of £85,946, but this compared with £403,334 in 1953 and £236,277 in 1952.

At the end of 1953, the Corporation had a cumulative deficit of about 9.7 million sterling. About £6,000,000 had been lost on certain projects, and activities begun before 1950 and subsequently abandoned.

In 1954, Parliament agreed to a waiver of interest on capital lost on abandoned projects. The Corporation was unable to accept a capital write off on terms which would have given it "not much more than half of what is in its opinion fair."

According to the report, electricity projects in the Caribbean and Malaya, assistance to housing development in Singapore, Malaya, and Kenya, the new West Indies inter-island shipping service, the Cayman Islands airport and the hotel in British Honduras were all projects which should be of great value in helping to stimulate further development of the colonies concerned.

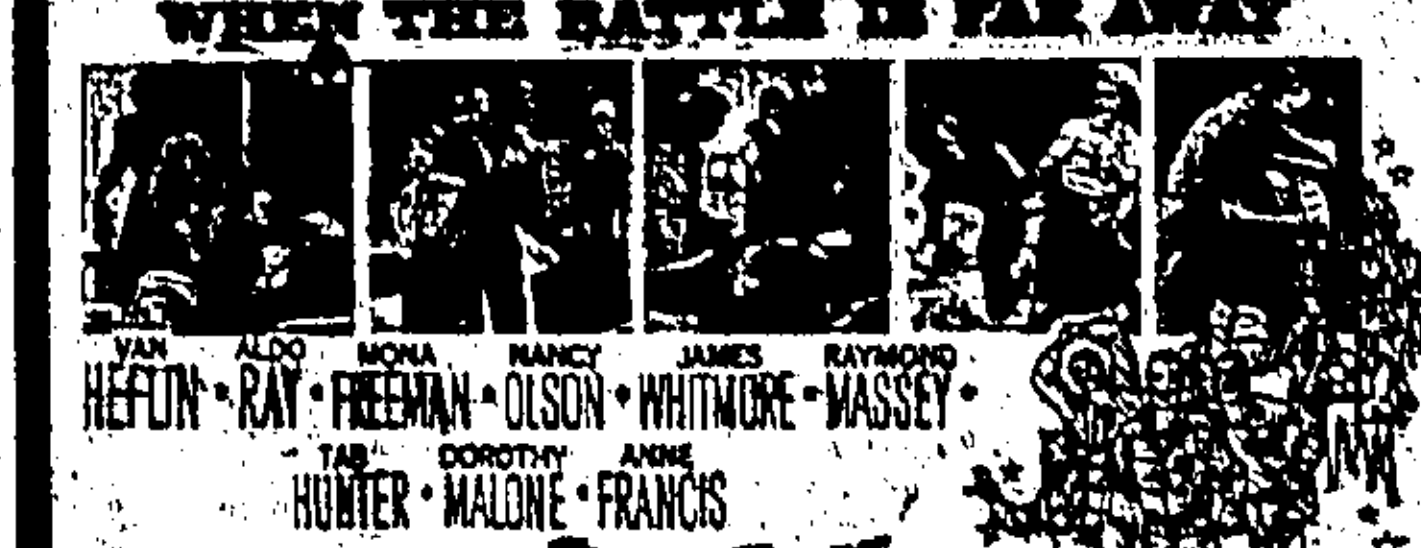
Help was being given to increase production of timber in Nigeria and British Guiana, citrus and bananas in the Caribbean, rice in British Guiana, rubber and hemp in North Borneo, cattle in Bechuanaland, tobacco and tung oil in Nyasaland and minerals in East Africa.

NEW PROJECTS Projects introducing new projects and new industries included cocoa plantations in Malaya, cement manufacture in Trinidad and Northern Rhodesia and rice and forest products in Swaziland.

Mr W. Hendell General Manager of the Colonial Development Corporation, flies to Singapore tomorrow (Friday)—China Mail Special.

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COMBATting RED SUBVERSION

Nye Bevan
Reinstated



London, Apr. 28. Left-wing Labour leader Nye Bevan was re-admitted to the Parliamentary Labour Party tonight.

The Parliamentary Labour Party decided to "return the whip" to Mr. Bevan after a 20-minute meeting in the House of Commons. There was no discussion or vote on the question.

The "whip" was withdrawn from the left-wing leader on March 16 on the grounds he had refused to toe the party line on a major vote.

Today's Labour Party's decision was interpreted here as a move to reunite all elements of the party before the forthcoming general elections.—France-Press.

Has Poujade
Broken
The Law?

Paris, Apr. 28. Crusading M. Pierre Poujade, the French boot-seller, who launched a nation-wide campaign against certain aspects of the French tax system, was today questioned by an examining court which is trying to decide whether M. Poujade's movement broke the law.

The court questioned M. Poujade about a pamphlet distributed by Poujade's "Union for the Defence of Shopkeepers and Artisans," entitled "The French is Closed," which calls on Frenchmen to refuse to pay their taxes.

M. Poujade declared last month that although the pamphlet was published by his organisation, he had nothing to do with its publication.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 3 Got ready (8).
 - 8 Complete (6).
 - 9 Valuation (8).
 - 11 Stopped (4).
 - 12 Go ahead (4).
 - 13 Open up (6).
 - 18 Kind of duck (5).
 - 19 Lounge (4).
 - 22 Come into view again (8).
 - 24 Talk (8).
 - 25 Sacred songs (6).
 - 28 Regard with suspicion (8).
- DOWN**
- 1 Hinder (5).
 - 2 Begin (5).
 - 3 Take the chair (7).
 - 4 Repose (4).
 - 5 Seated up (4).
 - 6 Wandered (6).
 - 7 Fears (8).
 - 10 Lukewarm (5).
 - 14 Skintint (5).
 - 15 Storm (7).
 - 16 Calm (6).
 - 17 Mixes (6).
 - 20 Repeats (5).
 - 21 Eat (5).
 - 23 Bring up (4).
 - 24 Snakes (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3. Computed, 7. Wager, 8. Aspiring, 10. Repeat, 13. Dressed, 15. Blot, 17. Aimless, 18. Recalls, 20. Edit, 21. Spinner, 26. Endure, 27. Amicable, 28. Risen, 29. Regiment, 30. Down: 1. Sward, 2. Aspose, 3. Cross, 4. Pull, 5. Triple, 6. Diggle, 8. Steals, 11. Bred, 12. Ascor, 14. Dispel, 15. Blend, 16. Oiler, 18. Repair, 19. Citing, 22. Inert, 23. Nurse, 24. Reins, 25. Calm.

IN SE ASIA

'Top Priority' Given To The Problem SEATO DECISION

Baguio, Apr. 29.

The SEATO Powers moved to strengthen Southeast Asia against Communist subversion and infiltration today (Friday) as military planners fashioned an armed force for defence.

Colonel Nicanor Jimenez, spokesman for the Philippine delegation to the SEATO military conference here, said on Thursday that a SEATO Council of representatives will meet at Bangkok next week to tackle the "top priority" problem of combatting Red subversion and infiltration.

MOBILISE ANIMALS TO BEAT TERRORISTS

Singapore, Apr. 28. The Singapore periodical The Week-end recently received from a reader the most ingenious suggestion yet advanced for beating the jungle terrorists in Malaya.

He wrote, "Send snake charmers and wily pawings (medicine men) in voice aircraft over the bandit hideouts. Let them cry out their magic to the snakes, tigers, elephants and other jungle beasts to chase out the intruders. When the Communists come screaming out, give them the finishing touch."

The periodical had no comment to make. However, a Government official said here, "We haven't tried black magic on the Communists. I must admit... A most interesting suggestion, but I think for the time being we will stick to our paratroopers and jungle patrols."

He added, however, "If any local Tarzans come forward with an offer to mobilise the jungle beasts, we will give them a hearing." — France-Press.

He said that the Council members who will discuss the important issue in Thailand are delegates representing the eight Foreign Ministers of the SEATO nations.

SPECIAL ATTENTION
The countries marked off for special attention were Thailand, Pakistan and the Philippines.

Yesterday three Philippine officers left for Bangkok to make a pre-conference study of the problem.

Col Jimenez said that other SEATO nations also were sending experts to assist the Council when it meets. He warned that Communist military aggression begins with subversion and infiltration.

Col Jimenez, who was a member of the Philippine delegation to the Asian-African conference, also yesterday briefed the 86 military leaders at Baguio on Communist China's "peace pledges" made at Bandung.

Informed sources said that the Philippines Colonel told the SEATO representatives about what happened behind the scenes last week in Bandung.

Meanwhile, it is reported that the military planners are close to agreement on an eight-nation defence force.

One source said that the United States would "underwrite in a big way" the SEATO defensive bloc, and it was generally agreed, would furnish most of the air and sea contingents.

Smaller nations would contribute their share in ground forces.

But the military experts, huddled in their highly secret sub-committees, continued to maintain stony silence on what they were discussing.

RIGID SECURITY
Security restrictions were so rigid that several news correspondents abandoned Baguio.

Even the number of committees and items on the agenda were classified as being "top secret." — United Press.

Protection Sought For Untouchables

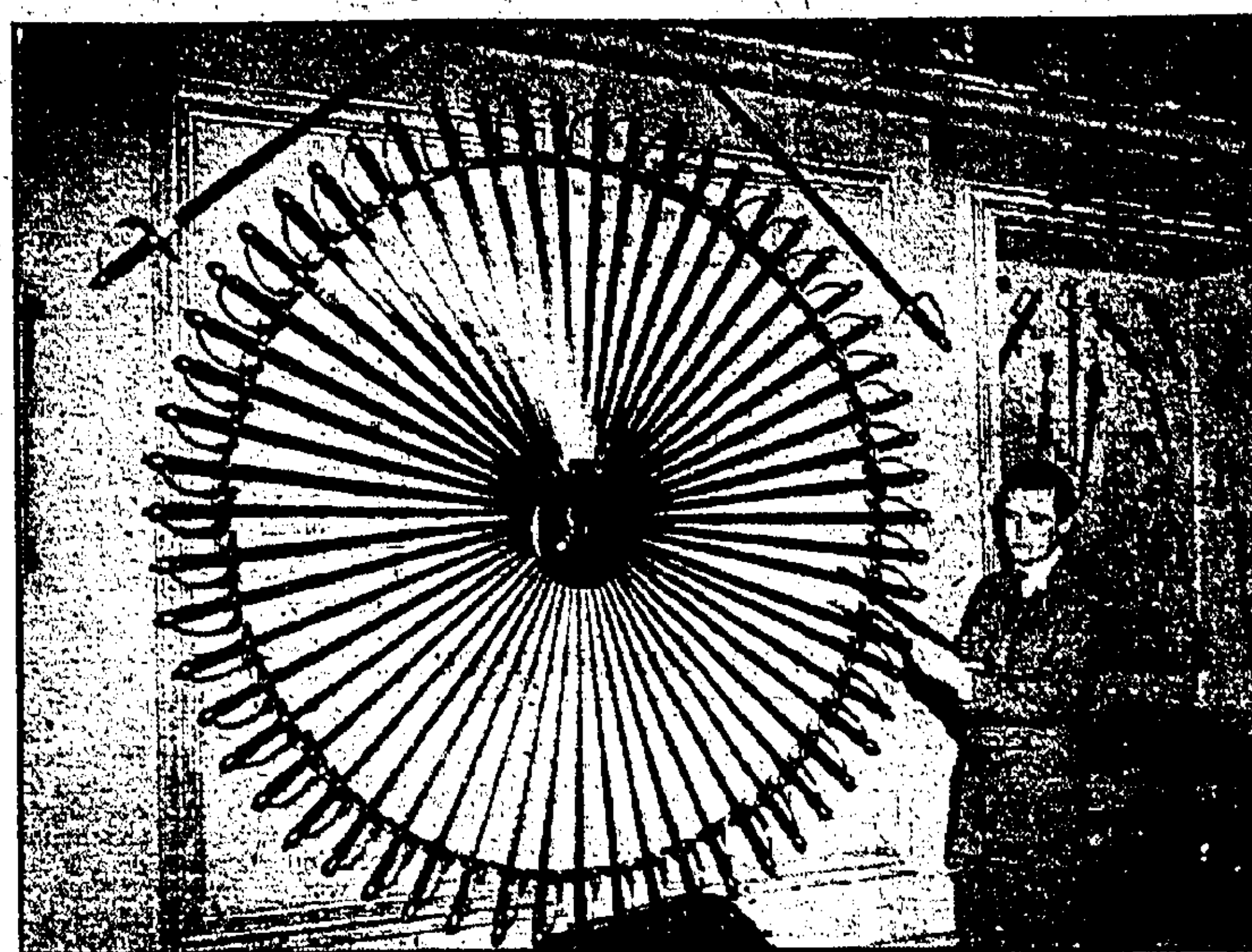
New Delhi, Apr. 28. The Indian House of the People today passed a bill providing for imprisonment and fining of those convicted of treating any person as "untouchable."

The practice of untouchability was banned under the 1950 Indian Constitution, but Mr. Pandit V. P. Pant, the Home Minister, said in the House yesterday that it still lingered in some places.

There are about 50,000,000 former Untouchables. In origin they were those born outside the four main Hindu castes and who performed tasks considered unclean by the higher castes.

PRISON AND FINE
The bill, which now has to go to the Council of States, provides that discrimination against any person on grounds of untouchability by refusing entry to houses, hotels, temples or access to amenities, such as wells, will be punishable by six months imprisonment and a fine of 500 rupees (about £38). — Reuter.

Rutland Home Opened To The Public



Belvoir Castle, seat of the Duke of Rutland, is one of the last great homes of England which hitherto has not been opened to the public. Now the Duke has decided to fall in line with the prevailing fashion. Belvoir stands on a hill and commands magnificent views over four counties. There has been a castle since Norman times, but the present residence was built in 1805 after its predecessor had been burnt down by fire. The picture shows the Duke of Rutland examining a sword from one of the fine collections in the Guard Room at Belvoir. In the centre of the circle is the embossed head of the Duke of Wellington. — Central Press Photo.

DANISH POLICE GO INTO ACTION — With Fishing Lines

Thorshavn, Faroe Islands, Apr. 28. An expeditionary force of 130 Danish policemen, rushed here to subdue the mutinous Vikings of nearby Klavsig Island, finally swung into action today — and went fishing.

Bored by three days of waiting, the boat-load of Copenhagen's finest policemen scouted around Thorshavn for rods and reels and started fishing in the cod-rich Skaale fjord where their ship, the "Parkestorn," rides at anchor.

From Klavsig itself, word came from the leader of the Viking force that his "army" and his "push-button" harbour defence were ready to meet any attempt to remove Dr Olaf Halvorsen, the island's physician and centre of the controversy.

"OVER DEAD BODIES"
The dispute flared last week when the Faroes Island Government, with Danish support, ordered Dr Halvorsen to make way for another doctor at Klavsig. The Vikings replied that the doctor would be removed over their dead bodies.

With utter disregard for the security of his own forces, Mr J. Fischer Heinesen, Klavsig harbour master and Viking leader, disobeyed by telephone that his ground forces numbered about 2,000 men between the ages of 16 and 20.

His chief sea defences are strings of dynamite-filled oil drums suspended from chains running across the opening of the fjord.

Mr Fischer Heinesen said that fuses from the dynamite drums ran to his home and that he could set them off at will with push-button technique.

What is more, he said, the Viking force had two Vickers machine-guns left over from World War II when they were used to arm trawlers.

Many Faroe Islanders were already regarding the little war as having been won by the Vikings. And they were denouncing the Danish Government for sending 130 riot police to the Faroes in the first place or, having sent them, for cancelling an ultimatum pending further negotiations.

Meanwhile, the negotiations had not even started.

A Danish Minister, Mr Viggo Kampmann, who left Copenhagen yesterday for the Faroes to act as "trouble-shooter," was

PROTECTION MONEY PROTEST

London, Apr. 28. A protest was made in London today against "inaccurate statements" in United States newspapers to the effect that British planters in Malaya were temporarily with or were paying protection money to terrorists.

Lieutenant-Colonel Willie Broome Davenport, Conservative Member of Parliament, announced that he would ask the British Government in the House of Commons next week to issue "an authoritative corrective statement" through the British Information Service. — China Mail Special.

Chinese & Indonesian

Friendship CHOU MOVED BY HIS RECEPTION

Tokyo, Apr. 28. The Chinese Communist Premier, Mr Chou En-lai, said he hoped that friendship between Red China and Indonesia "will be ever-growing" and that co-operation "in the cause of world peace will make greater achievements" shortly before leaving Djakarta.

The Red Chinese leader, according to a Peking Radio broadcast heard in Tokyo, said, "During our visit we were deeply moved by the warm welcome and hearty reception accorded to us by the Government and people."

"During our visit, the Prime Ministers of the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Indonesia have held talks on questions of furthering friendly relations between the two countries and of promoting world peace," he said.

IN FULL ACCORD
Mr Chou further said, "I believe that talks between the two Prime Ministers and their joint statement are in full accord with the common interests of the peoples of our two countries and at the same time a significant contribution to the implementation of the resolutions unanimously adopted at the Asian-African conference."

"I wish that friendship between the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Indonesia will be ever-growing and that friendly co-operation between our two countries in the cause of world peace will make greater achievements," he said.

Speaking at the inauguration of the Indo-Egyptian Friendship Society, he said, "People from different places with different backgrounds and from different climates conditions were bound to have a different approach to problems."

"No spite of this, gradually as the conference proceeded we became more and more a conference of friends — United Press & Reuter.

PINAY LEAVES FOR BONN

Saar Europeanisation To Be Discussed

Paris, Apr. 28. M. Antoine Pinay, the French Foreign Minister, left here by train this afternoon for Bonn to confer with Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, on details of the "Europeanisation" of the Saar and other questions.

Any major hitch in settling these details could cause a delay in the depositing of the instruments of ratification of the Paris agreements on West Germany — linked to the Saar agreement — on May 5 as scheduled.

The two statesmen will discuss the choice of a neutral high commissioner for the Saar. Last autumn it was generally accepted that he should be a Briton, but now official sources say France and Germany want a Swiss or Swede — a "real" neutral.

ATOMIC ENERGY
They will also discuss the possibility of West Germany sharing in the development of atomic energy. Gaullists in the French Government are insisting that restrictions on West Germany's developing atomic weapons should be observed strictly.

But the subject on which a hitch is most likely to arise in the Pinay-Adenauer talks is the transfer of the big German-owned Voelklingen steel works in the Saar to French ownership.

The French are claiming the 60 per cent of the plant they were entitled to dismantle in 1945 and are willing to pay compensation to the German owners for the rest.

Negotiations going on for three weeks have produced no agreement.

The West German Government has said so far that it has nothing to do with them. But M. Pinay is expected to insist tomorrow (Friday) that the Government intervene to help an agreement if its professions of goodwill on the Saar question are to be regarded as sincere. — Reuter.

POLIO VICTIM Vaccinated Four Days Before

New York, Apr. 18. A six-year-old schoolboy, who received his first shot of polio vaccine last week at Columbus, Georgia, developed bulbar polio four days later, it was reported here today.

The vaccine used was manufactured by Ely Lilly and Company of Indianapolis.

Dr J. W. Murphy, a state health department official, said the fact that the children developed polio within four days of receiving the vaccine "suggests that he was in the incubation period of the disease" at the time he was given the first shot. — Reuter.

BRITISH BACK FRENCH MOVE
London, Apr. 28. Assistant Foreign Secretary, Mr Robert Turton, said in the House of Commons today Britain backs French policy in North Africa.

In reply to a question put by a member of Parliament, Mr Turton said, "The British Government consider that their interest and that of the free world is to support French policy in North Africa."

The British Government welcome the home rule agreement concluded between the French Government and Tunisia. Mr Turton said.

Women And British Nationality

London, Apr. 28. Mr Gwyn Lloyd, George Home Secretary, told the House of Commons today he could not accept a suggestion that any foreigner who married a British woman should be entitled to acquire British nationality.

He had been asked by Mr J. B. Hynd, a Labour member, whether he would take steps to grant the same rights to British women subjects who married foreigners as were available to British male subjects.

The Minister said that if it was suggested that legislation should be introduced to provide that any foreigner who married a British woman should be entitled to acquire British nationality, he regretted he could not accept it.

MISUNDERSTOOD
Mr Hynd said he had been misunderstood. All he was asking was that British women who married foreigners should have the same rights as a British man who did so.

He declared: "It is not times we here in this country brought ourselves at least in line with countries like Germany and America, and accepted this example of sex discrimination."

Mr Lloyd George said that although there might be equality in the United States, there was also power under the McCarran Act to refuse entry to either a man or a woman. — China Mail Special.

Churchill Portrait From The Cinque Ports

London, Apr. 28. SIR Winston Churchill is to receive an oil painting of himself as Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports and Constable of Dover Castle.

The Cinque Ports — originally five in number, but later expanded — are a group of towns on the southeast coast of England which were placed under the special jurisdiction of a Lord Warden nearly 900 years ago. Sir Winston Churchill has held the office since 1941.

The Speaker of the Cinque Ports, Councillor J. J. Thomas, Mayor of Sandwich, said today that the first meeting of the Standing Committee of the Ports since 1928, summoned last Monday, the following agenda was discussed.

To consider asking the Lord Warden to accept an oil painting of himself in his official uniform and to take such steps relative thereto as may be deemed expedient.

UNANIMOUS
This was unanimously agreed by the 13 Mayors present and it was also decided to ask Sir Winston to accept an invitation to attend the Cinque Ports Ceremonial Courts of Brotherhood and Guesting at Hastings in the autumn to receive the portrait.

The cost of the portrait, by an artist acceptable to the Lord Warden, is to be borne equally by the 14 towns of the confederation of the Cinque Ports — Sandwich, Hastings, Dover, Hythe, Romney, Ayr, Winchelsea, Deal, Folkestone, Tenterden, Lydd, Margate, Ramsgate and Faversham. — China Mail Special.

Paris Church Damaged By Fire

Paris, Apr. 28. The Paris 13th century marvel, the Sainte Chapelle Church was slightly damaged today, when a 20-minute fire swept along the roof, just under the main tower of the church.

Clouds of smoke with no apparent flames damaged some 20 square yards of roofing of this wind-renowned Gothic chapel built by Saint Louis to hold the Crown of Thorns and a part of the True Cross.

Two workmen who were doing repairs high up over the central nave were slightly injured, and it was believed that they, or some of their co-workers, might have caused the fire when one of their blow-torches exploded.

An investigation was opened to find the exact cause.

The immediate arrival of firemen in the courtyard of the Sainte Chapelle, situated on the Ile de la Cite, prevented further damage. — France-Press.

Keep Humanity In Hospitals

Wellington, Apr. 28. Keep humanity in the hospitals, and don't forget the patient is a human being.

Hospital administrators from all parts of New Zealand were urged to do this by Mr W. E. Bates, President of the Hospital Boards' Association.

Mr Bates told the Association's annual conference, "There is no institution more intimately concerned with people, their sufferings and (remembering our maternity homes) their joys also, than hospitals."

"God forbid that hospitals should ever become a place of least resemblance to a Government department."

He said specialisation and the age of patient medicine were making the treatment of patients more impersonal.

"Let us at all costs preserve the humanity," he said. — China Mail Special.

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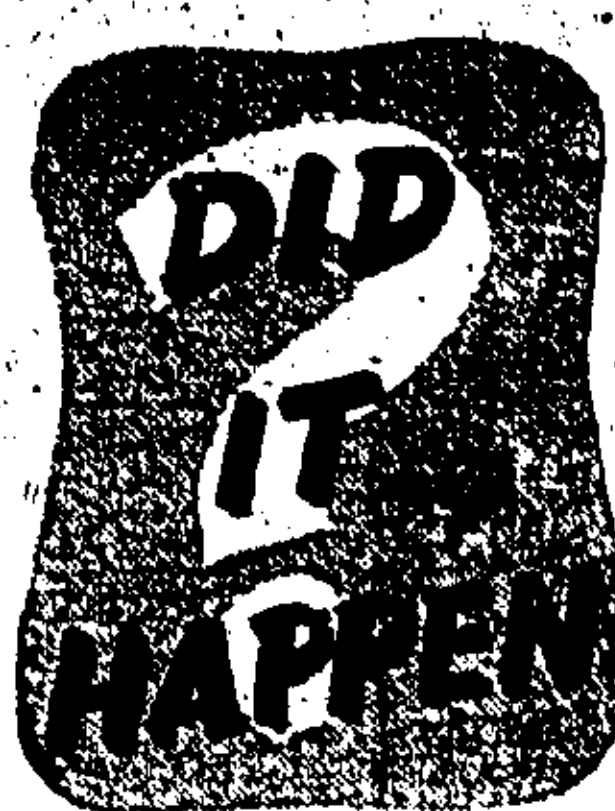
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fly to London in less than an hour.

Again, that oblique sidelong glance.

"Clarkson say he go for market to buy chop for master's supper."

I knew that to search the teeming markets of Accra for one black face among a thousand would be like seeking one particular lump of coal in a colliery.

But I did it. I liked Clarkson and I was reluctant to leave the Gold Coast without saying a good-bye to my friend. John, Ephraim and I drove furiously to the market and we each took a third of the area, combing the alleys of nameless merchandise, searching hopelessly for that one woolly head and that one onyx face. Of course we failed to find him. With very few minutes to spare we tore back along the Dodowa Road to the airport.

The aircraft, a twin-engine Viking was waiting. A friend had come to see me off and he greeted me with marked—if somewhat unflattering—relief. "Thank heaven you're come. I thought you were going to miss it."

"Went down to the markets to look for Clarkson."

Chop for supper

My luggage was packed and stowed in the car. Everything was there except a suit of lemon pyjamas that I had bought in Tangiers. Clarkson had had his eye on those pyjamas for some time. ... I said good-bye to John and to Ephraim. I looked for Clarkson. He shouted, "Clarkson, you old busy-man, come and say good-bye to me."

Ephraim shuffled his feet and gave me a sidelong look.

"Clarkson say he go for market to buy chop for master's supper."

"But... but Clarkson knows perfectly well that we're here for dinner. He knows I'm

WHEN the day came for me to leave the Gold Coast, Clarkson was missing.

I was both surprised and saddened by this because over the months, I had come to like Clarkson and I had believed that our regard was mutual.

Clarkson was a Negro, the blackest Negro I have ever known. I don't know from whence he derived his Anglo-Saxon name. He didn't know himself. In the old days it was the custom of Africans to call their children after the names of their European employers, and it is not unusual to find such names as Terence O'Connell, Algernon Chalmers or Rosemary McFadden attached to the descendants of slaves.

Clarkson was one of the three servants in the rest-house. He had come to Accra from a remote village over the Volta, served in the Gold Coast Regiment, become house-boy to a succession of itinerant Europeans. His bare feet stamped on the floor-boards and when he gave me "good-morning" the thud of his heels

coming together in salute made me wince. His laughter was the most infectious sound I have ever heard. It began as a little, high-pitched croon, a sort of wavering, wobbling treble at the back of his throat that went on and on and suddenly exploded into a cascade of mirth. He was a very good servant.

WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO BE IN A NEWS BLACKOUT

By Sir Beverley Baxter, MP

I WOULD like to think that by the time these words appear, the British newspaper strike will have come to an end. Yet at the moment of writing there are no signs of it. It will end, that is the only certainty, but the repercussions are hard to assess.

The astonishing thing is that a small, Communist-led union of 700 electrical workers has been able to muzzle the British national newspapers. The pigny has brought down the giant. The freedom of the press has suddenly been destroyed by the freedom to strike.

You are aware, of course, that the newspapers offered to submit the dispute to arbitration, and indeed Sir Walter Monckton, Minister of Labour, volunteered his service as conciliator. But the stubborn 700 would have none of it. Their ultimatum was: "Our terms or none." An ironic feature of the whole affair is that if everyone of the 700 strikers drowned themselves in the Thames it would not impede newspaper production for more than a couple of days. Mechanically the printing of a newspaper is a comparatively simple process and the electrical task requires no vast technical knowledge.

While there is an ironic humour about such a situation it does not alter the serious fact that because of a paitry dispute the great national newspapers, evenings and Sundays have ceased to appear.

It is not easy for outsiders to understand what the Press means to London. Every morning there is delivered to my

house the Times, Telegraph, Mail, Express, News-Chronicle, Mirror, Sketch, Herald and the Communist Daily Worker. In the afternoon at the House of Commons or at my Club I read the Standard, Evening News and Star. And on the Sabbath we have the whole lot from the Sunday Times to the News of the World.

Pardon me for wearying you with all these names of the newspapers but it gives me a nostalgic pleasure just to write them down. It is now, more than a fortnight since I saw any of them.

Creating News

Newspapers do not merely chronicle the news; they also create it. A letter in the Times may start a nation-wide controversy. A financial story from New York may rock the London Stock Exchange on its heels. In a single story an unknown man or woman can become world famous.

As a London dramatic critic for many years, I have a great love of the theatre as well as a consuming curiosity about it. Last night in one of the London theatres there may have been a new play as great as Hamlet, or the discovery of a fresh star as bright as Gielgud or Olivier. But I would know nothing of it. You might contend that someone who was there would be certain to tell me. But who is someone? If my next door neighbour broke the established code of London life and actually called on me to tell about his play or the star, what would be my opinion? Would my judgment be complete right in his judgment, but how can I tell?

Whereas when the critics go into ecstasies about a play or an actor we can judge by studying the notices written by men whose standards of criticism are known to us.

But now comes a curious and unforeseen aspect of living in London without newspapers. At first we were utterly lost. In fact we seemed to have moved into a vacuum. The bookmakers and their clerks sat at their telephones but they never rang. No one knew the names of the form of the runners and, in most cases, they did not even know where racing was taking place.

No Business

Stockbrokers went to their offices but their telephones were almost as silent as the bookmakers. On the Exchange the brokers just looked at each other because there was next to no business being done.

I went to my Club where the conversation and the wine are normally first class. But the only conversation I heard was from three men who, by a remarkable coincidence, had all been suffering from low temperature influenza and were exchanging symptoms.

It is true that the BBC news bulletins kept to their usual schedule, but news is visible not oral. Quite properly the BBC determined on only a small extension of the time allotted to news broadcasts. It did not want to blackleg against the newspapers.

Yet by the end of the first week we had begun to discover that there were some unexpected compensations. There were no items about Mau-Mau massacres. There were no leggy pictures of new film stars, no Marilyn Monroe, thank heaven. No sex crimes, no brutalities—in fact, if you will excuse the double negative—there was nothing.

Nevertheless, I was much relieved, when my news agent phoned to say that he would be able to send me the Manchester Guardian every day. But the dear old Guardian does not go in for sex or crime and will not even publish racing results. And of course there were the periodicals and magazines to keep us company, but by the nature of things they cannot deal with spot news.

Strangest Story

Actually I found myself turning almost with a sense of relief to the books in my library. For years I have been going to read Tom Jones and now I am doing it with breakfast.

But the strangest story has been that of the newspaper, the Communist Daily Worker. Contrary to public opinion, this rag receives no financial help, direct or indirect, from Russia. It has only four pages and the advertising revenue is negligible.

Each day it makes a frantic appeal for help from the faithful. A woman named Barbara Niven is in charge of the appeal feature and each week, by some miracle, she manages to secure enough pennies and shillings to meet the deficit.

But when the Communist leaders of the small "Electricalians' Union" told the DW that they were going to force a strike the management of that family journal saw a heaven-sent opportunity to further their fortunes.

By borrowing or imitating they got hold of enough money to enable them to print a lot of extra copies. Thus while the presses of the great nationals were idle, the Daily Worker would be finding new readers, by the thousands. At least that was their plan. But they had reckoned without the Communist Union which is not led by Communist but good level-headed fellows.

First Victim

Thus, when the strike began and the Daily Worker prepared for its great advance the Communist Union refused to set the type. While this was a wise and responsible decision we also realise that there is little harmony between Communist-led Unions and those that are led by sound, responsible men.

Therefore it might be said that in this Communist-inspired strike the first victim was the

Communist newspaper. It simply had not the financial reserves to stand the strain. And then suddenly the Daily Worker appeared on the streets, the only London newspaper to be seen for over a fortnight. What had happened? Some clever fellow in the hierarchy of trade unionism had decided that as the Daily Worker was not a member of the Newspaper Proprietors' Association, with whom the Unions had been bargaining and therefore it was a victimisation of the innocent for the proprietors to refuse to set type.

Red Glory

Yet it may well prove a costly victory. The General Election is not far off. The country will have to choose between the Conservatives and the Socialists again, and the spectre of the Daily Worker in its red glory during the newspaper strike will drive a lot of nice, conservative little people to vote Conservative.

A lot of clever people said that Sir Winston Churchill would postpone his resignation until the newspaper strike was over. They could not see the old statesman handing over the sceptre of power without being on the job.

What a foolishness on the part of Churchill! Undoubtedly he is a great showman, but he is an even greater traditionalist.

Yet the lack of newspapers played its part. The public assumed that Churchill would make a resignation speech in the Commons, and there were great crowds in Parliament Square. Instead he drove to Buckingham Palace where a couple of hundred people were gazing with curiosity.

The BBC tried to whip it up, but it was a poor effort. There is no real substitute for the written word.

Sad Lot

I need not tell you that we were a sad lot in the House of Commons. We carried on a desultory debate and performed our tasks as if nothing had happened but the one insistent thought in our minds was: "We shall never see Churchill as Prime Minister again."

Prime Minister Churchill brought dignity to Premiership. But the Premier also brought dignity to Churchill. Long after the House had adjourned MPs sat in the smoke room talking, talking—but in quiet tones, as if someone had died. One chap, a pretty tough fellow normally, did not try to hide the tears in his eyes.

Now the relentless limelight of history turns on Eden. May the gods be kind to him, for he will need their benevolence. He mounts the political throne with muted trumpets, for it is only the provincial press which can serenade him to his task. Like the young man in Ibsen's play who cried: "Give me the sun!" we Londoners cry: "Give us our newspapers!" Without them we walk in darkness.



He was waiting at the door...

unbelievably cool in the sweltering heat, welcomed us on board. She said her piece. Fasten safety belts; no smoking until after take-off; the journey to Freetown would take four hours and we would fly at a height of 8,000 feet. She hoped we would all enjoy the trip.

I was sitting aft on the starboard side. We taxied to the end of the runway and took off in thunder. The pilot flew the aircraft over Accra, climbing steadily. It was even possible to pick out the streets. Then we wheeled over the sunlit shore where the turquoise and emerald sea was at last dissolved in a thread of foam. We set course for Freetown. Safety belts were undone. Cigarettes were lit. Far below our wings the African bush baked in the sun, the little clusters of mud huts no bigger than thimbles.

Black oil

As I settled more comfortably in my seat, I looked out idly. The starboard propeller spun steadily in a rainbow of colour, beautiful to see. Then I saw something else. Black oil was oozing out of the engine nacelle and spreading and being flattened and vapourised by the speed of our going. The air-hostess saw it at the same moment as I did. Her eyes were suddenly alert. She put her finger to her lips. Without a word we had entered into a conspiracy of silence. Casually she strolled up to the door leading to the cockpit, and slipped inside. A pulse of fear quickened my heart. The lights over the door flashed. "FASTEN YOUR SAFETY BELTS. NO SMOKING." The air-hostess came back. She stood by the entrance to the galley and spoke gently.

"May I have your attention, please? Some trivial fault has developed in one of the engines—nothing that we can't put right with a spanner. The pilot, however, has decided to go back to Accra and have a look at it. So we're going to feather that propeller while we go back. These aircraft fly beautifully on one engine. We ought to do it just for fun. Now would anyone like any newspapers or coffee or anything?" I began to read The Times. I

think it was The Times. I don't know. I read the same paragraph on whatever it was over and over again.

After what seemed like an infinity of time, I saw the first houses of Accra and the long strip of the runway. My ears filled up as we circled the airport at about fifteen hundred feet. We came in like thistles down. The air-hostess smilingly opened the door and we got out. It was splendid to feel one's feet on the earth again. From the moment when we had turned back in the sky, none of the passengers had spoken. Now, all of a moment, everyone became voluble. We all chattered overmuch. The pilot announced an overnight stay.

Some time, just before dark, I went back to the rest-house. The incident on the flight had driven Clarkson out of my mind, but now I remembered him sharply. He was waiting at the door as I got out of the car. He was in no way surprised to see me. He said that supper would be ready in an hour.

"How did you know I was going to be here for supper?" I knew. I see it all last night when I sleep. Then, this morning, I go up to airport and look and make sure. All same aircraft that I see last night when I sleep. Then I quite sure and am happy and go for market. Master is welcome."

Must happen

"You mean to tell me that you knew this was going to happen?"

"Yes. I see everything." "Then why didn't you tell me?"

"No good to tell. What must happen must happen." I shook my head in bewilderment. At last I said: "Well, you'd better get my bed ready because I'll be sleeping here tonight." I don't begin to understand this.

"Master's bed is all ready." I went up to my room. My bed was prepared. Laid out, beautifully pressed, were my lemon pyjamas.

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Is this story FACT or FICTION? Make your guess and check with the answer tomorrow when there will be another story in the series by Sir Arthur Grimble.

Yesterday's story was FICTION.



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DODGERS STILL ON TOP IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York, Apr. 28. Carl Furillo's three-run homer and Clem Labine's one-hit relief pitching kept the Brooklyn Dodgers rolling along on top in the National League race on Thursday with a 4-2 triumph over the Chicago Cubs.

Bob Rush of the Cubs had yielded only one hit until the seventh and had given himself a 2-0 lead by hitting a two-run homer off Dodger starter Carl Erskine in the fifth. But Rush faltered in the seventh and Furillo, the Major League home run leader, climaxed a four-run rally by hitting his seventh with two men on base.

Only 2,371 fans turned out at Ebbets Field to watch the Dodgers score their 13th victory in 15 starts.

In the only other day games, the New York Giants got a fine relief performance from work-horse Merv Grissom during a

Senior Fencing Championships Next Week

The Colony Amateur Fencing Senior Championships to be held next week will close one of the busiest fencing seasons which the Colony has experienced since the War.

The entry is small, one reason being that qualifications were demanded of all entrants and another that the competition is being held rather late in the year to enable Army fencers who recently visited Singapore to take part.

Last year's Champion-at-Arms, P. G. Williams, is still troubled with a bad ankle and is not defending his title, having only entered in the Epee competition.

Followers of fencers in Hongkong would like to see Major George Brewer win the title this year for he will be leaving the Colony in a few weeks. He has done so much for fencing in Hongkong that it would be a fitting end to his stay here if he were to win the title which he won in 1953. However, on his visit to Singapore where he won the Far East Army Sabre Championship, he pulled a muscle in his leg and it is not sure whether he will be able to take part.

TITLE ASPIRANTS

Other fencers who might win the title are Hung Hui-to and Reuben Lynn of the Chinese Fencing Club; Captain Eberhardie, and Sgt. Day of the Army. J. A. Oozorio who is only entered in the foil stands an excellent chance of gaining the title in this weapon.

With a small number entering the competition should run smoothly and a high standard of fencing should result.

The Championships will be held on the following dates:

Epee — Monday May 2 at 6 p.m.
Foil — Friday May 6 at 6 p.m.
Sabre — Saturday May 7 at 2.15 p.m.

All weapons will be fought at the European Y.M.C.A., Salisbury Road. Competitors must report and be ready to fence ten minutes before the starting time. Fools and details are as follows:

To be fought as a "poule unique." Each bout being the best of 5 hits.

Entries: F. Fung (CFC), H. T. Hung (CFC), S. L. Lam (CFC), Reuben Lynn (CFC), J. da C. Marcel (HK Sword Club), P. G. Williams (HK Sword Club), I. F. Pugsley (RAF), Capt. Eberhardie (Army), Sgt. Forbes (Army), Maj. Geo. Brewer AEC (Army), S/I Mackley (Army), Chan Sion (Army), Sgt. Day (Army).

END OF SEASON CRICKET DANCE

All cricketers are reminded that the end-of-season dance is taking place tonight at 8.30 p.m. Tables are being provided for all Cricket Clubs and it is hoped that as many as possible will support the function.

Three fencers will be promoted from each semi-final pool to the final. All bouts will be the best of 9 hits.

Pool 1: — F. Fung (CFC), H. T. Hung (CFC), Maj. Geo. Brewer (Army), S/I Mackley (Army), J. da C. Marcel (HK Sword Club), Sgt. Forbes (Army).

Pool 2: — Reuben Lynn (CFC), Sgt. Day (Army), Capt. Eberhardie (Army), Chan Sion (Army), J. A. Oozorio (HK Sword Club), I. F. Pugsley (RAF).

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CIVILIANS BEAT SERVICES



The Combined Civilians and Services hockey teams pictured before the match at Recreio ground yesterday. Civilians won 2-1. — China Mail Photo.

Spare A Thought For The Umpire

Says J. W. TAYLOR

Any day now Britain's county cricket umpires, not to mention thousands more lesser known judges officiating in minor counties, league and amateur games, will soon be donning their white coats and familiar individual straw hats and taking up their appointed positions near the creases.

Each will manfully perform a tiring, thankless task for a fee varying in accordance with the class and grading of the game they have in charge, knowing full well that right until the last ball of the season they stand to be bawled at and pilloried, just for lifting a finger—or failing to lift one.

And few of them, no matter the class of game they control, will hope to go through the season without at least one of their decisions being sure to produce some heated controversy or arguments that will shake cricket communities large and small, from local evening cricket league supporters to seething Test crowds.

So far as our county and Test match umpires are concerned the pay, allowing for the responsibilities involved and the shortness of the season, is not all that remunerative to those who would make umpiring a career. For a County Championship match nowadays umpires receive £12 for the three days, with first-class rates and 25s. a night expenses added. The leading umpires, forming an exclusive MCC "short list", can reckon on £10 a day or £60 cash for six-day Test matches, with the usual expenses.

BEYOND REPROACH

How do these men, umpires like ex-Worcestershire Frank Chester, ex-Somerset Frank Lee and ex-Glamorgan Dai Davies qualify for the big-time cricket? These first-class men are mainly drawn from the ranks of ex-professionals. Their character must be beyond reproach; their eyesight and hearing clear and sound as a bell.

With the necessary qualifications, they are included on the official short-list through recommendation by the counties they once played for.

Test umpiring is the next step, but is taken by only a very select few. At the end of each county game in the championship both captains pass a joint report to the MCC which must bear one of the traditional summings-up "Indifferent", "good", "very good". Three successive "Indifferents" would call for a quiet chat at Lord's with an interested authority, but a series of "very goods" would put the umpire really in the running for Test honours.

There is much more to this £4 to £10 a day job than the lifting of a finger to dismiss a batsman, to denote an lb.w. to signal a bye, or a no-ball. This tricky, often unenviable task

calls for a perfect knowledge of cricket laws and of any special regulations, for first-class matches, Tests or otherwise; a deep concentration throughout the six hours of each day's play, plus judicious common-sense and co-operation with the other umpire. All these attributes are possessed by the men the cricketing countries and counties have come to rely upon so much for a fair and impartial running of a match.

FEW MORE TIRING

Few jobs are more tiring than standing in the field of play in the hot sun or biting wind watching every move, every ball and most of the players, yet their duties begin long before they go out to set the wickets preparatory to the players taking the field.

A long and arduous day starts with the umpires reporting on the ground 30 minutes before the start on the first day, and at 9 a.m. on each succeeding day of play.

Not one ball may be bowled until they have supervised mowing, rolling and, after rain, the drying-off of the pitch. When stumps are drawn at the end of the day they may be required to remain on the ground for a full hour.

At any moment during a match a point of cricket law may be challenged through some incident and as quickly the umpire will be expected to meet it with a correct decision. Despite the diligence of the two umpires it would indeed be considered an uneventful season if at least one of their decisions

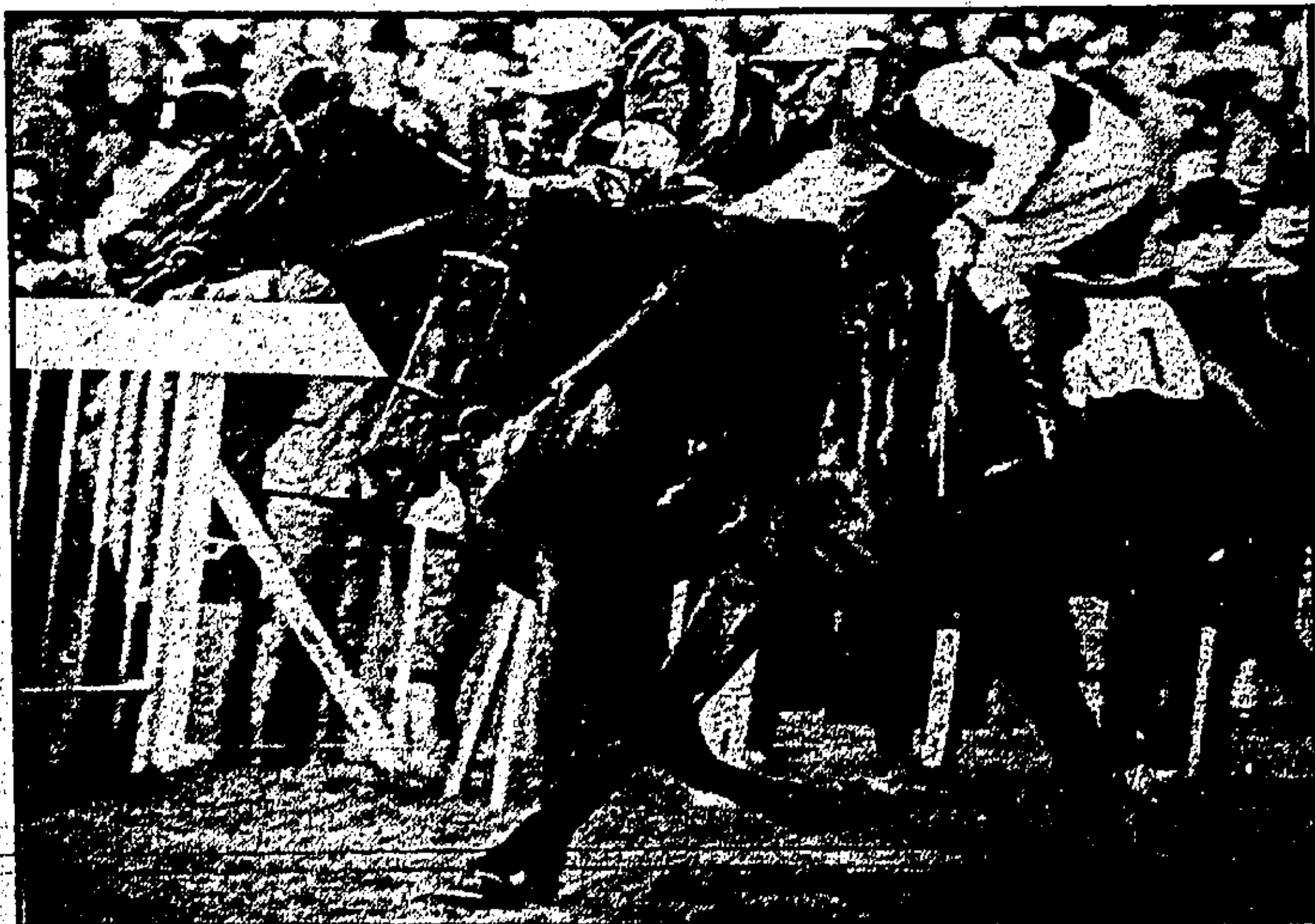
SONGKITRAT ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

New York, Apr. 28.

Chambers Songkitrat, Thailand's Banlamsang, Contender, who was beaten in two fights for the World 118 pound title, has retired from the ring, it was reported here today.

Nat Fleischer, Editor of Ring Magazine, said the 28-year-old boxer had written him that he was hanging up his gloves.—Reuter.

BY A SHORT HEAD



Lord Delamere's Butterscotch, ridden by A. Breasley (1) is beaten by a short head by Mr. C. W. Bell's Warwar, A. Cracknell up, in the White Rose Stakes at Hurst Park.—Reuterphoto.

AT 15 A WONDER BOY, AT 22 DEREK JOHNSON IS A BRILLIANT PROSPECT

Wonder boy at 15, brilliant prospect at 22. That's Derek Johnson, half-miling secretary of Oxford University Athletic Club.

Nothing unusual, you might say, in reaching the top after such a bright start. It is generally accepted that to make the grade, an early start is essential.

But many are those who in their early teens have been hailed as future world beaters, only to fade from sporting scene. The fanfares from Fleet Street may have given them an exaggerated opinion of their own importance; they were too good, too soon; or the pace was too hot.

Derek Johnson was written up as a potential English champion while still a schoolboy. He had set up a new world junior 440 Yard record of 48.8 secs. The typewriters pounded out more praise than some felt was good for a lad of his age. But the ability remained, the Johnson size in school caps remained the same, and at the same perky angle.

Now at the start of the 1955 season, he is one of Britain's brightest hopes, perhaps the class half-miler that England has been searching for since the days of Sidney Wooderson.

In the inter-Varsity athletic meeting at the White City earlier this month Johnson won

both 440 and 880 Yards events. In the Half Mile, he clocked 1 min 52.5 secs, three-fifths of a second better than his own second meeting record, and an excellent time for the first race of the season.

ONLY PROBLEM

The only real problem which faces Johnson is which distance to concentrate on. It is results and performances are anything to go by, Derek will choose the Half Mile. He may, also, be influenced by the stiff competition he would face in the 440 Yards.

Apart from his schooldays, Derek's best performances have always been in the Half Mile. Last year he did exceptionally well. On a rain-soaked White City track in June, he won the inter-counties half mile in 1 min 50.2 secs, the second fastest time recorded for the distance by an Englishman.

Johnson stole the show. In a special open international Half Mile event, Roger Bannister and Czech star Jungwirth could not get within half a second of Johnson's time.

He failed in the AAA Championships, and again in a special attempt on the British record at Berwick-on-Tweed, both in the 440 Yards. But in the Half Mile, he won the Empire Games title in the record-breaking time of 1 min 50.7 secs, and was a member of the successful English Mile Relay team in the same Championships.

Back in England, a week later, Johnson equalled Derek Pugh's English Native Quarter Mile record of 47.9 secs, in the British Games at the White City.

WHAT A FOURTH!

At the European Games Johnson was placed fourth, in the

final of the 880 Metres. But what a fourth! At the start, a Swedish runner crossed Johnson causing him to stumble, but somehow he regained his balance and stride, and with a terrific finishing burst, pulled up to fourth position in the fastest ever time for an Englishman of 1 min 47.4 secs.

Johnson is 22. He has not yet reached his peak. He has ability and the temperament to succeed as a runner. Off the track, the top athlete whom he has most in common with is Roger Bannister. For like Roger, Derek hopes to become a doctor soon. Meanwhile, on the track, he makes his bid to emulate Dr Bannister's greatness.

—London Express Service.

Ezzard Charles Loses On TKO

Miami Beach, Apr. 28. Ezzard Charles, former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion, was beaten by unranked John Holman, of Chicago, here last night.

Holman won on a technical knockout in the ninth round of a ten-round contest.—Reuter.

Royal H.K. Defence Force Orders

Serial No. 17. Orders By Lieutenant Colonel O. F. Newton Dunn, Commandant Royal Hongkong Defence Force. Dated April 26, 1955.

Force Orders

Congratulations—The following congratulatory message has been received from AOC Air HQ Hongkong: "It should like to congratulate you on the excellent performance during the Fly Past on the occasion of Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday Parade yesterday. The flying skill displayed by the Auxiliaries on this day was equal to that of the Regular Squadrons."

Officers' Mess—Annual General Meeting—The annual general meeting will be held in the Officers' Mess at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, May 13, 1955. All members are requested to attend.

Force Headquarters

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 21st April 1955 until Thursday, 5th May 1955, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Hongkong, 15th Apr., 1955.

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